just as I have told him the whole story just as I have told it to you and the judge said: "My boy, what do you think would be the worst punishment I could give a man like this?"

Melchisedek thought a minute and then he said:
"Most mighty judge I think that for "Wost mighty judge I think that for

then he said:
"Most mighty judge, I think that for a man like Mr. Simpkins the greatest punishment you could give him would be to make him take a party of children out chestnutting every afternoon for thirty days."

Mr. Simpkins shuddered and tried to jump out of the window and escape his fate, but two officers held him and the judge said in a voice of thunder: "Mel-

Maybe There's a Stone Under the

Wheel. chisedek, you have well said. Each day for thirty days Mr. Simpkins shall take

out a crowd of inneent children and help them gather chestnuts. And he shall begin this afternoon."

And they led him out to gather a band of little ones.

But I think it was pretty hard on the children

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DUTIES ON LEAD ORES.

Attorney General Renders Decision

Regarding Imported Articles. Washington, March 17.-Acting Attorney General John K. Richards has

rendered an opinion in which he holds

in effect that the time limit in the proviso in paragraph 181 of the tariff act of July 24, 1897, which says that the

refined metal produced from imported lead ores must be re-exported or the regular duties paid thereon within six months from the date of the receipt of the ore, must be reckoned on the date the ore was received at the smelter and

Chicago, Ill., March 17.-Judge

for the safety deposit vaults

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MULTIPLICATION TABLL.

Scholar Will Learn How to Multiply While Pasting Up the Card.

Boys and girls who find it tedlous to learn the multiplication table by heart may be greatly assisted and may find amusement in trying the following idea:
Get a smooth board or strong sheet of cardboard sixteen inches long and sixteen inches wide. With ruler and pencil draw lines an inch apart across the board from side to side. Then turn the board around and draw lines an inch apart from end to end, so that the entire board will be divided into one-inch squares, fifteen rows running each way.

By tearing apart an old calendar a quantity of clearly printed numbers may be easily cut out. The object is now to copy the multiplication table from an arithmetic in large figures by cutting out the large numbers of the calendar and pasting them correctly together in the squares upon the board, corresponding to the squares in the table given in the book. Boys and girls who find it tedlous to

A great deal of it will be learned while it is being made and may be kept in sight, hung in one's room. The table would be as follows.

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HOOP SNAKES GRATEFUL.

They Rescued a Kind-hearted Man

From the Clutches of a Bear. (New York Sun.) They were sitting around the stove in the grocery swapping stories. The man

in the red shirt had placed himself in the lead by relating the story of the gray-bellied rattler. He was about to enjoy the liquid rewards of his efforts, when the little man in the corner, who heretofore remained silent,

dr unquestionable integrity I would have been compelled many times to experience of our friend in the rid shirt, when he did battle with the gray-bellied rattler, reminds me of a little adventure I had myself with a hoon snake, or to be more of the state of the riding because I hate to, and I need the cash very badly. The automobile will surely get out of order and I can't off than I was before."

"Nonesnee," said the man with a selfish gleam in his eye, that made whether the cash very badly. The automobile will surely get out of order and I can't off than I was before."

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"Nonesnee," said the cash very badly. The automobile will surely get out of order and I can't off than I was before." tlemen," he said, "and I confess that

"You are aware, no doubt, that the hoop snake derives its name from its peculiar habit of seizing its tail in its mouth and rolling along like a wheel or hoop. The adventure occurred while I was out in Omaha searching for red ants, of which I now have a fine collection. I was passing through some woods when I saw a hoop snake and a skunk in a battle. The snake was gettaking the worst of the contest, as the skunk had no trouble in dodging its atskunk had no trouble in dodging its attacks and then delivering a fierce return bite. I determined to put an end to the contest in spite of the pleasure that their struggles gave me. And I at once dispatched the skunk. I admit that it was not because I had any particular regard for the snake, but all my life I have had a peculiar dislike for skunks.

"The rescued snake began to show signs of the most lavish affection tosigns of the most lavish affection to-ward me. And it made many outward signs of gratitude. Upon seeing me pick up a red ant it at once conducted me to a place where I found a horned variety that had hitherto been un-known. You can imagine how delight-ed I was with this discovery.

"The next day, as I was passing by the scene of my adventure, the snake that I had rescued made unmistakable signs that I should follow it. It also appeared to be in a state of abject misery. I had wished to ascertain the cause of its trouble, so I allowed it to lead me to a tree, where I found its mate in a most unpleasant predicament. She a, most unpleasant predicament. She was suspended by the middle from a thick branch of a vine and in spite of her wriggling she was unable to disengage herself. I seized her and put her on the ground, whereupon both snakes left me.

left me.

"I was very much surprised and feared that I had offended them unknowingly. But presently they returned, attended by a large number of followers. All the snakes formed themselves in a circle around me, and by gesture showed me that they would be glad to accept me as their chief and leader. It was little to my taste, however, to spend my life among snakes, so I left them and went on with my hunting.

"About a week after this I was re-turning after a particularly successful day's hunting, when I met a large black bear. I was unarmed except for black bear. I was unarmed except for my ant-taking contrivance, which was wholly inadequate to overcome so large an animal as a bear. I knew that it would be useless to take refuge in a tree, because, as you all know, no doubt, the black bear's flexible fore-paws enable him to ascend trees with ease. Therefore, without further reflection, I fled. I was rapidly distancing my pursuer when misfortune overtook me and I stumbled and fell. As took me and I stumbled and fell. As I lay there, expecting any minute to feel the bear upon me, I suddenly heard the sounds of a furious battle. I looked about, and there were my faithful snakes doing battle with the bear. The combat was short and fierce. The snakes struck many times, but were unable to penetrate the long hair and thick hide of their opponent. See-ing that their attacks were of no avail hear. The combat was short and fierce. The snakes struck many times, but were unable to penetrate the long hair and thick hide of their opponent. Seeing that their attacks were of no avail took and hurled himself down the bear's throat. Thus the bear and snake perished together. The surviving snake, seeing that I was unable to rise (for I had infured my ankle) called four others, and conveyed me to a house, where I was cared for."

"How," said the man in the red shirt, "were the snakes able to take hold of you to raise you from the ground?"

"Sir," replied the little man, "it is obvious that if the first year was No. 1, it would take 400 complete years"—But without more ado they hurried him of to the bar.

HE WAS SMOKING A CIGAR.

and then as Mr. Simpkins jumped inside he hung on behind. Mr. Simpkins jumped inside he hung on behind. Mr. Simpkins saw Mr. Sanford and he knew what the matter was pulled the lever to the lowest noth and the carriage went down the steep hill in fine style.

"I did you a wrong," said Mr. Sanford and melchisedek, if the first year who will buy this as a man in Seymour who will buy this as a man in Seymour who will buy this as a man in seymour who will buy this as a

TALES OF YANKEE ENCHANTMENT.

A Good Little Boy Who Made It His Business in Life Not to Allow Peo-

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Melchisedek Jones could not bear to ee people imposed upon. He was only 11 years old when he took his putty blower, bean shooter and his sling and started out to walk from Waterbury to New Haven in order to right all wrongs that he might come



of the Hill.

cruel or mean or selfish he peppered him with his putty blower. And if he still looked mean or selfish or cruel then he shot beans at him, and if he continued to look selfish or cruel or mean he let him have a stone out of a sling, and that generally cured him. mean he let him have a stone out of a sling, and that generally cured him. For a sling in the hands of a small boy is a hammer and no mistake.

He had gotten almost to Seymour and the road was strewn with cruel, mean and selfish people whom he had howled over temporarily when he came

bowled over temporarily when he came to a long hill. At the top of the hill stood what looked like an automobile, stood what looked like an automobile, and by its side were two men, one of whom seemed to be the owner of the vehicle. The other was trying to sell it to the other man who had a kind of down-trodden, under-dog look about him that made Melchisedek feel for him.

to ride out in a wagon that hasn't any horses to stop it when it gets going too fast, and so I'll let you have it for the debt." "But," said Mr. Sanford, "I never go out riding because I hate to, and I need

Seymour and sell it to any of the rich people who live there for at least \$500."
"Why don't you do it, then?" asked

better a walk with them than all the money in the world."

the automobile," said Mr. Simpkins.
"Come, I will ride to the foot of this hill just to show you how to work it, and then," said he, leeking at his watch, "I must hurry off to my darlings, my dear little boys, for the pets are hungry for chestnuts."

Now if Mr. Senford hedn't heart.

Ings, my dear little boys, for the pets are hungry for chestnuts."

Now, if Mr. Sanford hadn't been a goose he would have known that Mr. Simpkins was up to something, because men don't talk that way about their children, unless they are molliestat least, not in public. But. Mr. Sanford was a great innocent, so he wrote a receipt for \$100 and gave it to the man, and then they both stepped into the carriage. Mr. Simpkins pulled a lever and the thing didn't go.

All this time Melchisedek had stood out of the way and the man had not noticed him at all. Now, Mr. Simpkins looked out and pretended to see a stone in front of one of the wheels. "Ah," said he, "I see there's a stone in front of one of the wheels. "Ah," said he, "I see there's a stone in front effect. It sticks sometimes when I haven't used it much. Here, boy," seeing Melchisedek, "just help me push this to the brow of the hill."

Melchisedek pushed with a good will

mobile" came to a stop.

"How can I ever thank you?" said
Mr. Sanford. "You must let me give
you some of the money that I get for

But Mr. Simpkins shook his head and said: "Never, my dear friend, never."

Then he strode away up the hill and for the present Melchesidek let him go. He wanted to make sure that he had imposed upon Mr. Sanford.

He hopped down and went around to the door of the carriage.

"I'm very much afraid, Mr. Sanford," said he, "that Mr. Simpkins has gotten the best of you. I don't think this is an automobile at al. It is just a shaftless carriage with faked up lever and brake." But Mr. Simpkins shook his head and

"Nonsense, my little fellow," sa' Sanford, with some heat. "Who the horses that drew it the la

mile?"

This would have been a pose or some boys, but Melchisedek said: Any wagon will roll down hill if you give it a push and steer it straight. Does a sled need a horse when you're coasting? Do they have horses on toboggans? Try to go up the hill after Mr. Simpkins, who is by now chestnutting with his dearies and his darlings and you'll find that you need a horse."

Mr. Sanford turned pale. If this was a carriage merely and not an automobile, it was not worth \$30.

He pulled the lever down to the lowest notch, but the thing never stirred.

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But the road was as smooth as the marble table that grandma uses to roll

ner pastry on. "I thought as much," said Melchise-dek. "Do you know anything about Mr. Simpkins?"

Dunne today appointed a receiv-"I only know that he owes me \$100 that I lent him last month. You see, he sold me an organ that a child could play, but I never thought until after I'd bought it that I have no children, and organize the sold me and organ pany, said to contain six bars of gold, valued at \$50,000, deposited as security and no grown up person seems to be able to make it go." "Not even down hill, eh?" said Melby R. G. Miller and William Schroeder

in the course of negotiations with two Englishmen named Frederick G. Vigor and Theodore T. G. Dreyton for the purchase of a gold mine near Golden, Colo. The deal-fell through. chisedek. "But why did you lend him the \$100?" "Because he seemed so sorry that my Vigor and Dreyton claim reimburse-ment for the time and money spent in the negotiations. The gold was de-posited by Schroeder and Miller pre-vious to a trip to the mines. Assayists are examining the bullion.



Melchisedeck, Let Him Go.

"You ought to have a nurse, my poor man," said Melchisedek. "This Mr. Simpkins has no children, you may depend upon it. But he has \$100 of Mr. Sanford, quite pertinently.

"Because," said the man, "I promised my children that I would go chestnutting with them this afternoon, and only the children, you may depend upon it. But he has \$100 of your money and you have an old cab that's pretty near falling to pieces. Now we must overtake Mr. Simpkins and make him give back your money."

Just then, by great good luck, an automobile came toward them.

that Mr. Simpkins had no children at all, and doubtful that the carriage was an automobile. But as yet he could do nothing.

"Give me a receipt for \$100 and take the automobile," said Mr. Simpkins.
"Come, I will ride to the foot of this hill just to show you have to work it.

"The driver stopped.

"Take us up the hill." said the boy. He pushed Mr. Sanford into the automobile, "Run at your top limit, driver. We want to catch a tail man with flowing red whiskers like banners and a selfish look on his face."

The automobile man started with man of the automobile man started with



in the least because the wicked man was going to get his deserts.

And when they came to the judge, Melchisedek told him the whole story

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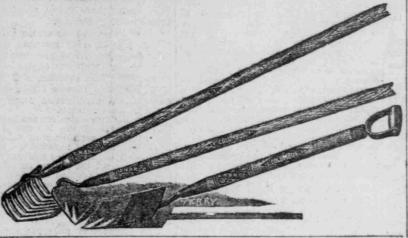
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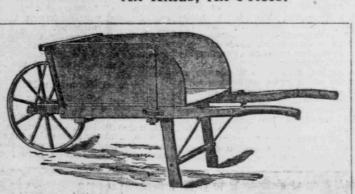
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